

SENATE RESOLUTION 118

By Watson

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Elsie Yah-Huei Chang,
2012 Valedictorian of Central High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Elsie Yah-Huei Chang is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2012 graduating class at Central High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Elsie has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Ms. Chang has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including serving as the Secretary of the Ruritan Club, MTS Ambassador, Journalism/Yearbook staff member, and member of the Mathletes, Drama Club, Art Club, Skills USA, National Honor Society, Beta Club, and Humanities Club; and

WHEREAS, strongly committed to community and public service, Elsie Chang has endeavored to serve her fellow citizens by serving as a Samaritan Purse Donor and Jean Drive Donor, delivering Yellow Books, assisting in a tornado clean-up effort, painting the Harrison Elementary School hallways, tutoring students in math, and volunteering at the Chattanooga food bank; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Ms. Chang attended the 31st Annual Superintendent's Honors Banquet and received the Woodsman of America Award, Excellence in Science Award, Central Academic Letters, Pre-Calculus Award, Chemistry Award, and UT Academic Excellence Award; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Chang's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success as a student at either Sewanee or the University of California at San Diego, where she plans to major in Biological Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Elsie Chang's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Johnny Chang and Pen Y. Chang, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Elsie's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2012 Central High School Valedictorian, Elsie Yah-Huei Chang, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.